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OF THE FIRST PARISH OF HAVERHILL, MASSACHUSETTS,

THIS LITTLE BOOK OF RELIGIOUS SONGS IS AFFECTIONATELY
DEDICATED BY THE AUTHORS.

WE HOPE IT MAY SERVE TO KEEP ALIVE THE MEMORY OF MANY DELIGHTFUL MUSICAL HOUSE SPENT TOGETHER, BOTH IN THE CHOIR OF THE CHURCH, AND IN THE SUNDAY SCHOOL; AND THAT IT MAY AFFORD, ALSO, TUNEFUL EMPLOYMENT AND INSTRUCTION TO MANY FUTURE HOURS EQUALLY DELIGHTFUL.

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PREFACE.

This book of religious songs for children was undertaken because the Authors could find no book which appeared to them fit for the use of the Sunday-School and the Choir of Children, whose musical instruction they had in charge.

The Authors believed that by recourse to the folk-songs of germany,—a rich mine of sweet and simple melodies hitherto but little worked,—music at once very easy and very attractive and beautiful, and of a high order, might be placed in the hands of children; and from a careful examination of about four thousand of these german folk-songs, the present collection has been culled. Great care has been taken in the selection and adaptation of the words, that they might enhance the beauty of the book by real poetic merit of their own, teach religion as the source of strength and joy, and faithfully reflect the sentiment of the music, as well as equal it in elevation of tone. This has been found by far the most difficult and laborious part of the work. All the leading books for Sunday Schools, as well as many other books of hymns, have been used to glean this collection. We feel it our duty to say that it has been found necessary frequently to make alterations, in order that the words might flow freely to the melody. In some cases we have translated the German hymns to which we found the music attached.

Great pains have been taken to put the music into the proper keys for children's usage. It is our experience that music for children is very generally written too high. A child's voice should seldom be carried above D; and as a rule it cannot be maintained for a number of bars on C and D without flatting. Accordingly we have so selected the keys that only a very few melodies, in which it was impossible to avoid it, will be found to run above D in any part of them.

We should be ungrateful if we did not express our thanks to Mr. Allison W. Stuart for his kind and skillful assistance in reading the proofs, as well as for other valuable aid rendered by his musical ability, taste and knowledge.

We trust that the book will be useful to others as well as ourselves, and may, perhaps, aid to elevate the standard of both the words and music offered to the singing of children.

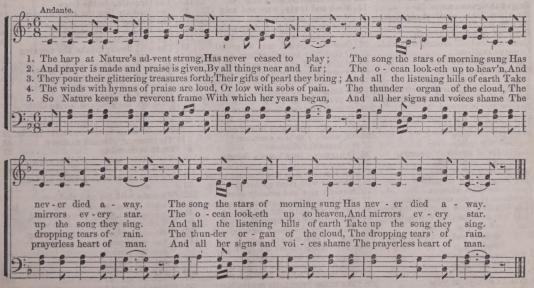
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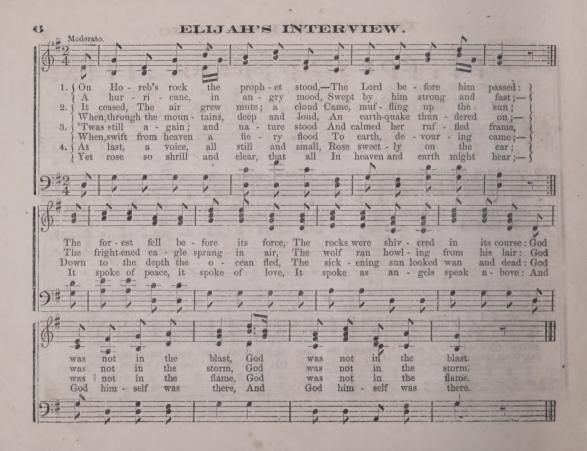
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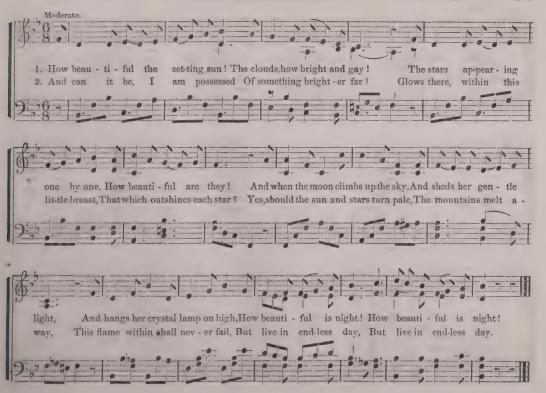


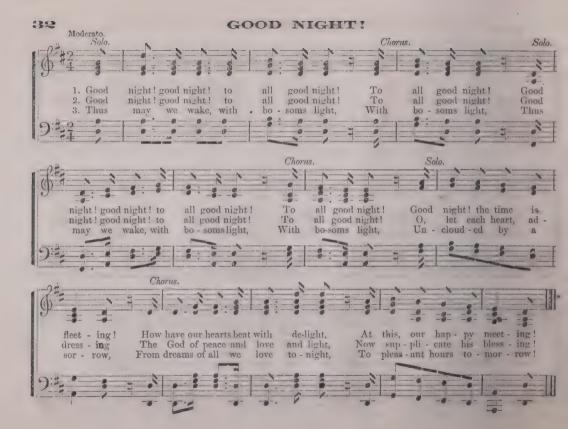












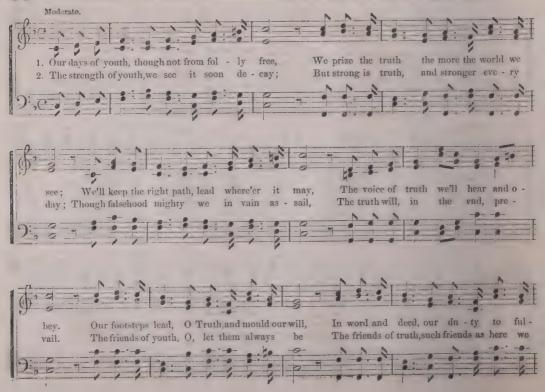






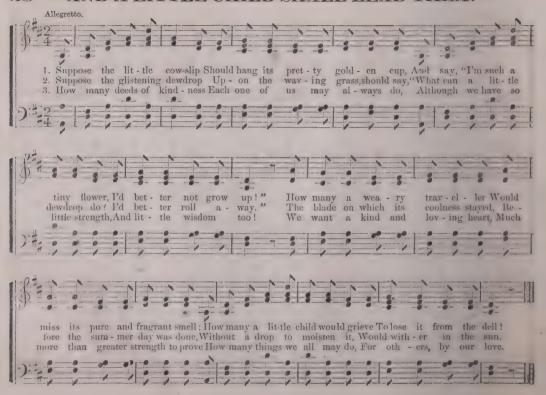






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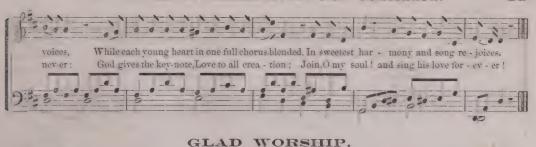
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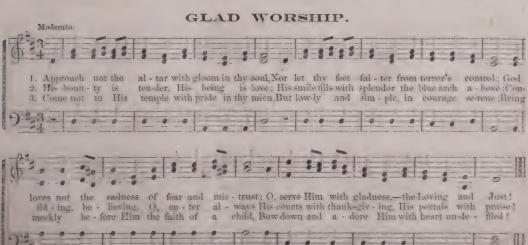


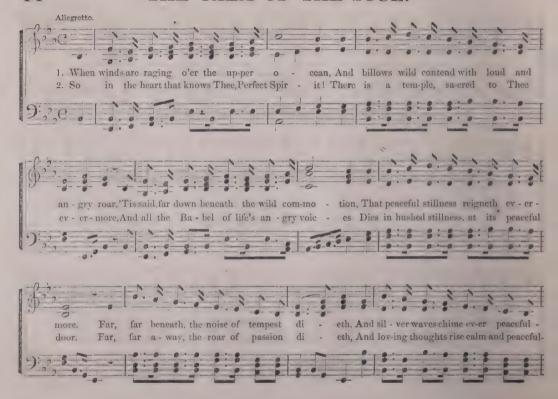


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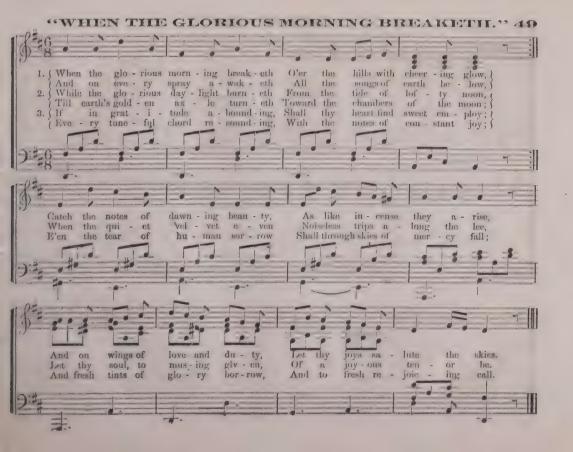




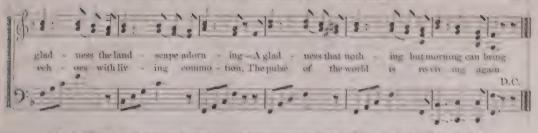




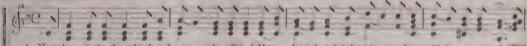








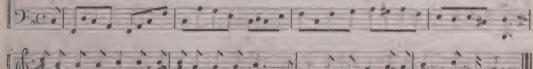
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3. They come when we wander, they come when we pray, In mer - ev to guard us wherev - er we stray; A



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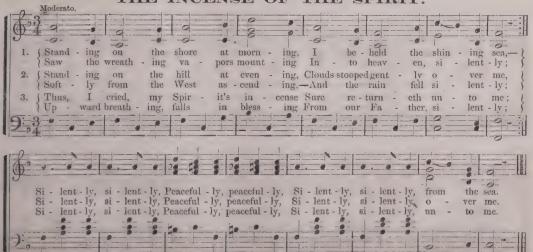




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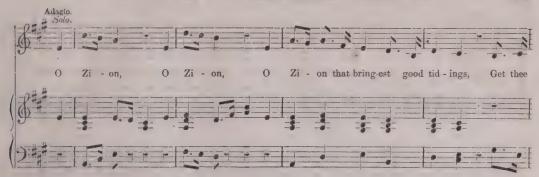


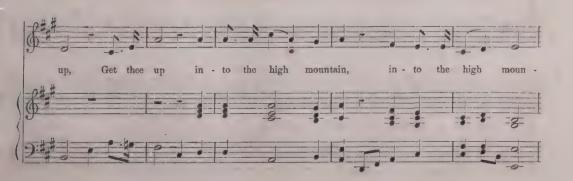
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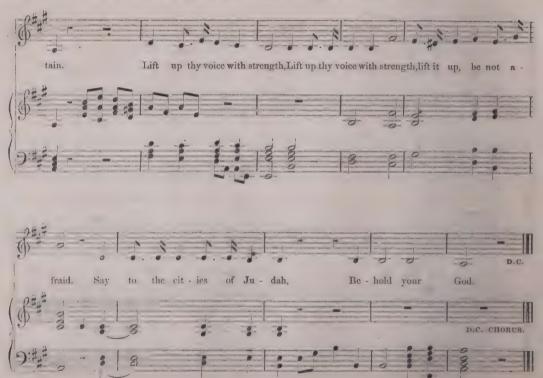






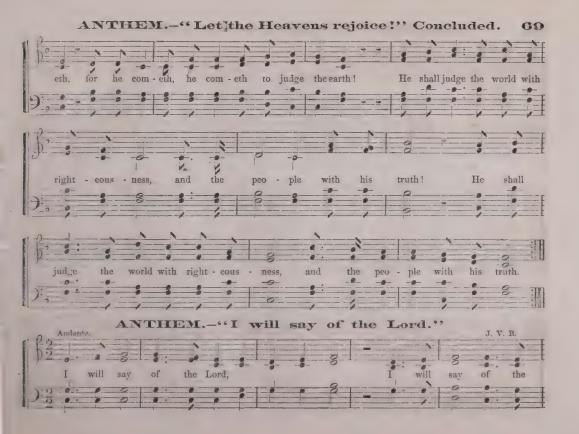


















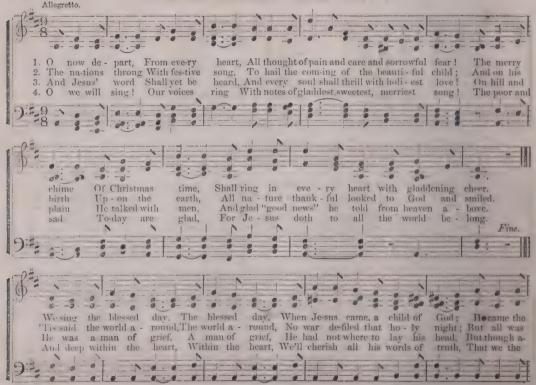




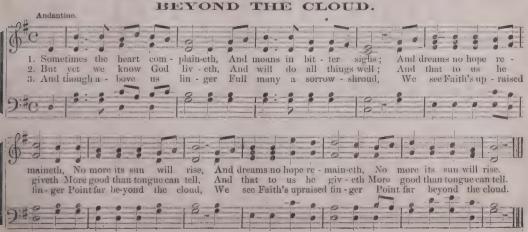


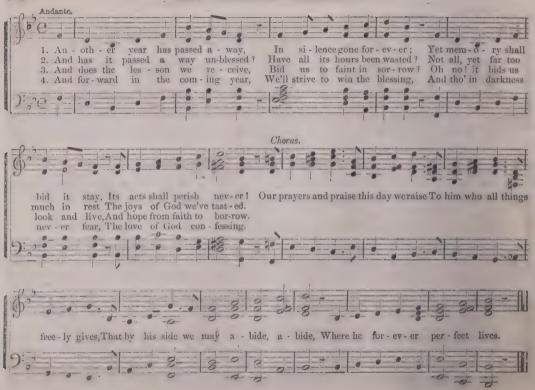








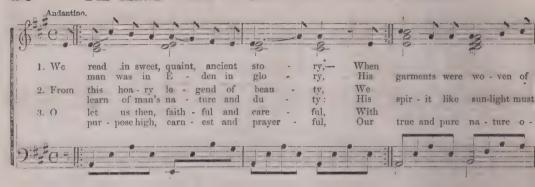




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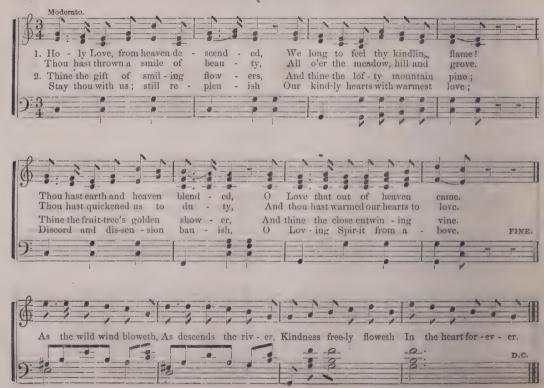


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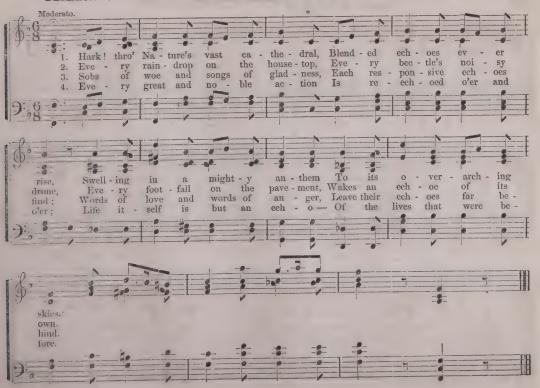








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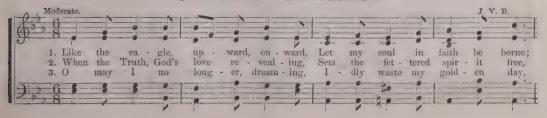








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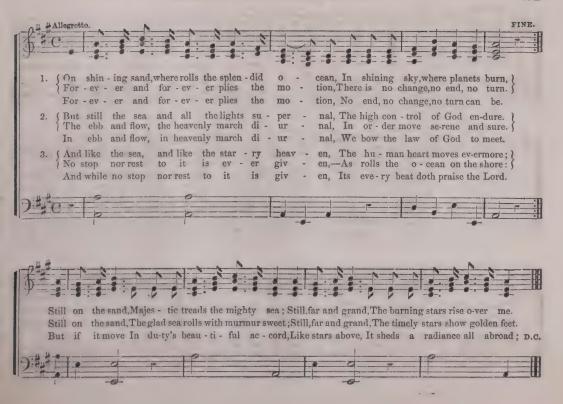






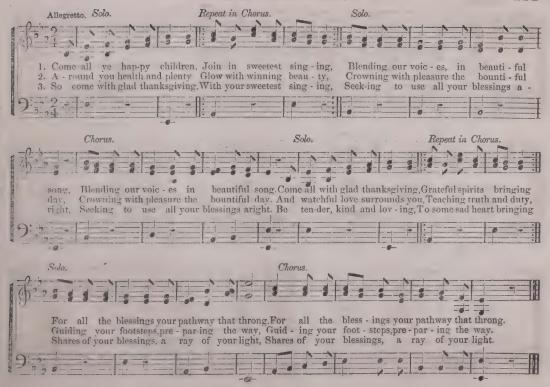
































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